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HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

The 17th February, 2023

No.3703—HUD-WS-SCH-0064/2019/HUD.—After careful consideration, Government in Housing & Urban Development Department have been pleased to **transfer** JICA assisted Odisha Integrated Sanitation Improvement Project (OISIP) in Cuttack City and Bhubaneswar Sewerage District — VI to **WATCO with immediate effect** for execution of operation & maintenance of the works already completed & the remaining works to be completed to ensure O&M services and timely completion of the remaining works as follows:

- i. Completed works for which O&M has commenced are to be transferred to WATCO from OWSSB on immediate basis. Accordingly Novation agreements as per codal provision shall be signed between the Agencies and WATCO.
- ii. OWSSB to transfer balance construction works under Package 1, 2 & 3 in phased manner by March 2023 and Package-4 by June 2023.
- iii. The House Sewer Connection works shall be undertaken by WATCO concurrently with water supply connection to avoid repeated road cuttings & public hardships.
- iv. The box drain works to be transferred to WATCO on as is where basis is immediately.
- v. The Engineers of OWSSB working under the JICA Assisted OISIP shall be deputed to WATCO.
- vi. The O&M Cost is covered under the State Share and not to be claimed to JICA. Budget provision to be made for WATCO to undertake the O&M activities of transferred works.
- vii. In 4 (Four) out of 5 (Five) Packages (Package 1, 2, 3 &4). OWSSB shall continue to make expenditure to complete the balance work and submit Claims to JICA. However, for Box Drain works, funds to be allocated to WATCO to complete the balance works and reimbursement claims to JICA to be processed through

OWSSB as per current Loan Agreement modalities. Amendments in Loan Agreement to make WATCO as a Claimant to be time consuming process.

viii. The detailed modalities of fund flow mechanism, claim preparation & submission to JICA etc, to be firmed up after discussion with JICA Authorities.

All related Resolutions/Notifications issued earlier stand modified accordingly.

By Order of the Governor

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